

Bill 259 PH 3/12/14

CT Legislature's Judiciary Committee,

Recently, I found out that the CT Legislature's Judiciary Committee was considering Senate Bill 259: An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission Regarding the Enhanced Penalty for the Sale or Possession of Drugs Near Schools, Day Care Centers. I cannot find a logical reason to allow potential drug dealers closer to schools, day care centers, and public housing projects. **Why would there be any need for a proposal to cut "drug free zone" areas from within 1,500 feet of a school, day care, or public housing complex, to within 200 feet ?**

As a concerned Danbury, CT resident, as a mother of an 8 year old girl, as a parent, & as a human being, I believe that the drugs and access to them have to stop. More and more families are affected...one of my sister-in-law's relatives is in a coma and on life support from the effects of a recent drug overdose. God help her and her family. Access is part of the problem...we need to get rid of the problem....not add to it.

Please do not consider or pass this proposal in Senate Bill 259. Thank you.

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